



AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title as follows:

~~OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM AND PROCESS FOR
RECORDING THEREON~~

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 1 as follows:

The reflective layer is preferably prepared by a vapor film forming process as with the recording layer. The thickness thereof is set depending on the thermal properties and optical properties as in the recording layer. If the reflective layer is excessively thin, it may transmit the recording/reproducing light, thus failing to ensure sufficient reflection ratio. If it is excessively thick, the medium may have an excessively high heat capacity and may thereby have decreased recording sensitivity. Preferably, the thickness, which should be determined by the thermal properties and optical properties, is from 80 nm to 300 nm ~~800 nm to 3000 nm~~, and more preferably from 100 nm to 220 nm ~~1000 nm to 2200 nm~~.